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AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN

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E. O. 11562: GDS

TAGS: MARR IC

SUBJECT: ICELAND DEFENSE FORCE RETENTION ISSUE

1. WE HAVE REPEATED TO OTHER ADDRESSEES CABLE EXCHANGE WITH REYKJAVIK ON POSSIBILITY GOI WILL INVOKE ARTICLE VII OF US- ICELAND DEFENSE AGREEMENT AND THEREBY TRIGGER FORMAL PROCEDURE FOR REVISION OR TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT. THIS WOULD BE MOST UNFORTUNATE DEVELOPMENT GIVEN SHAKY STATE OF GOI AND CERTAINLY MAKE TASK OF RETAINING BASE IN ICELAND MORE DIFFICULT. AMBASSADOR IRVING HAS MADE GOOD PITCH TO FONMIN AND WE AGREE ENTIRELY THAT FOLLOW- UP BY NATO SEC- GEN LUNS WITH ICELANDIC PERM REP TOMASSON WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AND USEFUL. WOULD SUGGEST THAT LUNS EMPHASIZE TO TOMASSON THAT SUCH STEP BY MEMBER COUNTRY WOULD SEND PSYCHOLOGICAL SHOCK WAVE THROUGH NATO AND WOULD UNQUES-  
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TIONABLY UNDERCUT WESTERN CREDIBILITY AND POSTURE AT MBFR TALKS. WE ARE PLANNING HIGH- LEVEL DISCUSSION WITH ICELANDIC AMBASSADOR KROYER APRIL 16 TO MAKE SAME POINTS.

2. FOR USNATO: YOU SHOULD RAISE SUBJECT WITH LUNS SOONEST TAKING INTO ACCOUNT PRESENTATION MADE IN REYKJAVIK, AND SUGGEST HE TALK TO TOMASSON.

3. FOR COPENHAGEN, OSLO AND REYKJAVIK: WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR VIEWS AS TO WHETHER IT WOULD BE USEFUL AT THIS TIME FOR US TO ASK NORWEGIANS AND/ OR DANES TO USE THEIR INFLUENCE WITH ICELANDERS AGAINST GOI' S INVOKING PRELIMINARY SIX MONTHS NOTIFICATION. ROGERS

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